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Tribal Council back from legislative recess

Council is scheduled to be back in the office on May 3. Normally the next regular meeting schedule would be May 5, 2010. However, members of the Tribal Council will be out of town on business, necessitating a rescheduling of that meeting. The Regular Tribal Council meeting for May 5, 2010, has been moved by call of Special Meeting to May 3, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., in the Dome Room of the Downtown Office Building. There will not be a meeting of the Tribal Council on May 5. During the meeting of May 12, Tribal Council will also be swearing in Lee Sprague as the new Outlying Representative to Tribal Council

May 19th Council Session Canceled

The regular council session scheduled for May 19th has been canceled as Council members will be attending the 'Building Strong Sovereign Nations' conference.

Voter Registration

The new guidelines on Voter Registration have been released by the Election Board The guidelines are printed in the Rapid River and will be in the next *Currents*. They are also available on the website at www.lrboi.com.

The Enrollment Department will be at the **Muskegon Office** on Wednesday, June 9th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to create new Tribal I.D.s and to encode old I.D.s. Any questions please call the Enrollment Department.

Open Board of Director Meetings at LRCR:

o May 14th at 4 p.m.

Election Board Office Moved!

The Election Board Office has moved. It is now located in the Old Community Center on US-31 in Manistee. The telephone number is (231) 398-6709.

Warriors Society Updates

The Warrior Society has several announcements:

- They wish to acknowledge tribal descendents currently serving in a combat zone as well as tribal citizens from LRBOI. Please contact the Warrior Society with your information.
- o A new ordinance is being reviewed right now for the group and it should be available within the next two months.
- o Next meeting is June 5th at the Aki Community Center



Wii Bowling League

Wii Bowling for Elders. The CHRs from Tribal Health have started Wii bowling for the Elders at the Community Center on Tuesday afternoons at 1 p.m.

Enrollment Department

The Enrollment Department would like to remind all Tribal Members who have not filled out a Beneficiary form or a PerCap Beneficiary form needs to contact our office. Please remember that these forms have to be notarized. There are still some Tribal Members who need to update their addresses. If you have moved, are moving in the near future or know someone who has moved please contact our office to update the address. This form has to be notarized as well.

LRBOI Jiingtamok

LRBOI Jiingtamok for 2010 will be held the 3rd and 4th of July at the gathering grounds. Drums and other persons have not yet been finalized. Vendors can contact Valerie (or Terri), although invitations are also being sent. Vendor space is \$100 for 20ft of "frontage", slightly higher for food vendors (who get 40ft). Grand Entries will be 1 PM and 7 PM on the 3rd and 1PM on the 4th. More details will be released as they become available. Call 1-888-723-8288 ext 6891 for more details.

Encode your Card!

The Enrollment Department and Tax Department have announced that you must have your Tribal ID card encoded so that you can continue to receive your discount at the Trading Post on motor fuel, tobacco and cigarette purchases. Please stop by the Enrollment Department (at the Old Community Center on US 31 in Manistee) and they will update your card for you. If you don't encode your card, you will not be able to receive the Tribal Member discount at the Gas Station!

Troops Fishing Tournament

The Little River Casino Resort is partnering with Manistee County Charter Boat Captains for the inaugural *Tight Lines for Troops* charity salmon fishing tournament. The event has been scheduled for Monday, May 24th, 2010 on Lake Michigan. The LRBOI Warriors Society is looking for volunteers to help them serve lunch at the Armory on First Street. The help is needed from 10 a.m. until around 2 p.m. Please contact Bill Memberto at 398.6728 if you can volunteer.

HIS & HERS GOOD FELLOWSHIP AA GROUP

has been moved to the Aki Community Center at 2953 Shaw Be Quo-Ung, Manistee. That is at the corner of Dontz Rd. and Shaw Be Quo-Ung (Aki Housing area). The group still meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening.

Vouchers for Newly Hired Tribal Citizens

LRBOI Tribal Citizens at least 18 years of age who are newly hired may qualify for a Career Assistance Voucher of \$200.00 and/or an Employment Daycare Assistance Voucher of \$250.00 through the LRBOI Workforce Development Program. If you are a new hire, please contact the Workforce Development Specialist within 30 days of hire at 231-398-6842, toll free at 1-888-723-8288 extension 6842, or by e-mail at dhawley@lrboi.com.

(Kateri Circle)

"The real meaning of life is your family, the love that you have, the respect, the traditional ways, and carrying on with them."

--Ethel Wilson, COWICHAN

The family is the seed of the future. The family is the key to the transfer of cultural information. We should really take a look at how we are looking at our families. Are we treating each family member with respect? Are we passing on the traditional ways? Are we teaching the old songs? Are we participating in the ceremonies? Are we showing the family members how to pray? Are we encouraging each family member to be spiritual? Think about these things today.

My Creator, today, let me show respect to each family member

Members News



Muskegon Four Season's Kateri Circle Gathering for 2010.

- Dates and Times for coming events— Patti Włodkowski 755-4865
- o Summer Gathering August 8, 10:30-3pm Krause Park, Muskegon
- o Halloween Gathering Oct. 17,11 am 4 pm costume party
- o Ghost Supper, Geba-geshick Nov. 7 11 am – 4 pm
- o Christmas Gathering Dec. 19, 11 am – 4 pm

Times for the Gatherings held at ST. Thomas Hall 3252 Apple Ave. Muskegon, MI

- o The Time for the Summer Gathering will be 10:30 am to 3 pm which will be held at Krause Park {End of Sherman blvd.}
- o For all gatherings it is requested that those attending the POTLUCK bring a dish to passWe try to eat at noon for all gatherings
- o For Halloween and Christmas gatherings we would like donations of candy so we can make up goodies bags for the children, with the extra going to everyone

Any person who wishes to sell their handmade items at our gatherings is welcome to do so, but you are responsible for your own items.....

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Elders Meeting:

First Saturday of every month



Commissions/Committees:

The following commissions have current openings.

Gaming Commission
Health Commission
Natural Resource
Binojeeuk
Muschigon
LRCR Board

2 openings
2 openings
2 openings
2 openings
2 openings
2 openings

All other commission seats available have been filled.

Inland Seas School Ship

Education has announced a wonderful opportunity for our young ones.

An Inland Seas School Trip will be held on June 4th with a half day

sailing on Suttons Bay, learning about Great Lakes. Students

participate in scientific research at several different work stations

onboard. They study water quality and clarity, invasive species,

weather, and other aspects of Great Lakes ecology. Ages from 7 to 18 can attend. We have 10 spaces available at no cost. Lunch will be provided.

We will be leaving the Education Department offices at 6am sharp, so the parents will have to get the kids there by 5:30 am. The sailing is from 9am to 12:30pm and we will be back in Manistee by about 2:30pm.

This is a Friday, so kids would be missing school, but absence letters explaining the educational nature of the activity will be provided.

We will select students on a first come first basis with Tribal members having preference. If we have more tribal applicants than spaces we will randomly draw names to fill the spaces.

This trip will be shared with the Grand Traverse Band Youth programs, so there will be kids from both tribes- and our **deadline for people signing up is May 21**st. Contact the Education Department and Yvonne Parsons at 231.398.6735.

Veterans Memorial Dedication.

The Warriors Society has announced that there is going to be a dedication of the Blue Star Memorial next to the river in Manistee on Saturday the 15th at 2 p.m. This memorial is dedicated to Veterans of the Armed Forces on behalf of the Spirit of the Woods Garden Club. There will be a band; High School choir; flyover by the United States Coast Guard and attendance by two state senators. The Warriors Society of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians will be mustered for the event.

Come Join the Diabetes Talking Circle Learn:

- Myths about diabetes
- **Diabetes prevention**
- Diabetes risk factors
- Types of diabetes
- Eating healthy, dietary guidelines
- Reading food labels and shopping for healthy foods
- Healthy food preparation
- **Traditional foods**
- Routine medical care

This group can help support your desire to change your eating habits/diet, support a family member with diabetes, and assist you in making changes to be healthier. Tuesday 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. at the Tribal Health Clinic or Wednesday 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Aki Community Center. Classes run for 12 weeks. For more information or to sign up for a class contact Holly Davis RN, MSN Diabetes Educator/Community Health Nurse 231-398-6610 or Teresa Johnson Community Health Representative at 231-398-6629.

The summer youth camp will be Aug. 2-13, 2010.

Awaiting Court Docket update

Fruit and Veggies at Trading Post

The Little River Trading post and Browns Farms will be teaming up this year to provide fresh veggies and fruits and more..... They will be starting up on the 7-8 of May with asparagus and some other baked goods and honeys. So while you are filling up on gas grab a veggie.

Paid Internships Available

A limited number of paid internships are available through the Commerce Department's Workforce Development Program for FY 2010. If you are a LRBOI Tribal Preference Student (Citizen or Descendant) at least 18 years old with a 2.75 Cumulative Grade Point Average and enrolled in a degreed program at an accredited College or University, you may qualify for a paid internship. The Workforce Development Program offers the intern 240 paid hours at \$10.00 per hour. Interns are placed based on their interest and educational field of study at LRBOI government, enterprises and business entities. Tribal Citizens who are Class of 2010 High School Graduates at least 18 years old and enrolled in an accredited College or University in 2010 may also qualify for a paid internship. Those interested should contact the Workforce Development Program toll-free at 1-888-723-8288, extension 6842, direct line 231-398-6842, or e-mail dhawley@lrboi.com for additional internship program details and application materials.

Cold Stone Creamery Opens at Casino

One of the most highly rated Ice Cream brands in the state, Cold Stone Creamery has opened a retail ice cream shop at the Little River Casino Resort. Just around the corner from the hotel desk is where you will find these delicious treats, from ice cream by the scoop to sundaes and take out Ice Cream cakes, cupcakes and cookies. Be sure to stop in for some delicious ice cream next time you visit Little River. This is a franchise store leasing the space from the casino.

Rental Housing Available!

The Little River Band Housing Department still has one new rental home for lease at Aki Maadiziwin. The home has three bedrooms, two bathrooms, full basement and a two car attached garage. The home is a market based rental, Tribal member families are not required to be low income. The home rents for \$625.00 per month plus utilities. Security/ Pet deposits and references are required. Background checks will be conducted, as with all residents at Aki. This home is not a HUD funded home; therefore, we do not follow HUD guidelines. If you would like an application, please call Chad Gehrke in the Housing Department Toll Free 1.888.723.8288 or direct at 231.398.6878.